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Dear Joe,

Can't tell you how disappointed I am to have to decline your most generous invitation for a Presidential Fellowship in an Executive Seminar next August. My wife and I had really looked forward to this event ever since your invitation arrived. I have deliberately delayed making a final decision until after the recent hostage rescue effort. If that had resolved the hostage problem, I would have had reasonable confidence that I could take off for two consecutive weeks. I now feel the probability of that is not high enough to tie up a space in your seminar.

I apologize for this. I do hope you will be generous enough to think of us in the future.

With warmest regards.

Yours,

STANSFIELD TURNER

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